

**AGENDA**



**Recommendation for Council Action**

Austin City Council	Item ID	68263	Agenda Number	12.
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Meeting Date:	3/2/2017	Department:	Municipal Court
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**Subject**

Authorize the negotiation and execution of an amendment to an interlocal agreement with TRAVIS COUNTY and the AUSTIN TRAVIS COUNTY MENTAL HEALTH MENTAL RETARDATION CENTER D/B/A AUSTIN TRAVIS COUNTY INTEGRAL CARE regarding mental health, public health and substance abuse services for indigent citizens and other eligible clients within the Downtown Austin Community Court, to increase funding in the amount of \$217,000, for the period October 1, 2016 through September 30, 2017, for a total agreement amount not to exceed \$392,000.

**Amount and Source of Funding**

Funding in the amount of \$392,000 is available in the Fiscal Year 2016-2017 Operating Budget for the Downtown Austin Community Court.

**Fiscal Note**

There is no unanticipated fiscal impact. A fiscal note is not required.

Purchasing Language:	
Prior Council Action:	Approval of Downtown Austin Community Court Operating Budget to include Interlocal Agreement with Austin Travis County Integral Care on September 14, 2016
For More Information:	Peter Valdez, Court Administrator for DACC, 512-974-4873.
Council Committee, Boards and Commission Action:	
MBE / WBE:	
Related Items:	

**Additional Backup Information**

Prior to 1999, the City and Travis County purchased substance abuse treatment services through multiple agencies with eligibility determinations made and services provided by the individual organizations pursuant to the terms of their respective contracts. The auditing of services were performed retrospectively by Austin/Travis County Health and Human Services Department (HHSD) staff.

The Interlocal Agreement for the Managed Services Organization between the City, Travis County, and the Austin Travis County Mental Health Mental Retardation Center, d.b.a Austin-Travis County Integral Care (ATCIC), originated in 1999. The City and County developed the Interlocal Agreement in order to contract for substance abuse treatment services utilizing a Managed Services Organization (MSO) approach. The purpose of this approach is to better coordinate and standardize substance abuse treatment services for the community, to designate the target populations to be served, eligibility criteria, services to be covered, and expected outcomes according to those standards and requirements set forth in the Agreement. Under the Agreement, ATCIC provides specific services as

the MSO in order to prevent duplication of administrative services and promote a continuum of care for clients. The Agreement also facilitates the coordination of City and County funded services with state funded services in order to maximize leveraging of all available funds.

As the local authority for mental health and mental retardation services with extensive experience in this area, ATCIC serves as the MSO under the Agreement. In the model established under the Agreement, individuals are authorized and then served by organizations in the network that provide the assessment and treatment of eligible clients. In addition, the following MSO functions are provided: Credentialing, Gate Functions, Utilization Management, Quality Management, Management Information Systems, Financial Management, Administration/Contract Management, and Network Development and Management as set forth in the Agreement and specified by City and County. DACC's case management team is proactively seeking the target population through the implementation of Outreach efforts, including collaboration with the Austin Police Department's Homeless Outreach Services Team (HOST), in order to engage individuals in intensive services, and anticipates a continued increase in requests for assistance.

In the FY16-17 Operating Budget, the Downtown Austin Community Court received a rehabilitation funding increase of \$250,000. Of this \$250,000, \$217,000 will be added to the Managed Services Organization contract bringing the total contract amount to \$392,000. This additional funding will allow this court to address the increase in voluntary compliance and requests by the target population. It will also help DACC avoid depleting its current funding of \$175,000 before the end of the fiscal year.

In FY14-15, the court exhausted its funding by July 2015 and FY15-16 funding was also depleted before fiscal year end. The remaining increased rehabilitation funding balance of \$33,000, will be used to increase the contract for Austin/Travis County Reentry Roundtable by \$10,000, from \$40,000 to \$50,000, and Planned Living Assistance contract will increase by \$23,000, from \$66,910 to \$89,910.

DACC will amend this interlocal agreement with ATCIC for MSO public health education and information related to mental health, and substance abuse services. The interlocal will authorize a maximum amount of \$392,000. The increased funding is available in the FY 2016-2017 Downtown Community Court Operating Budget, and reflects an increase in performance measures.

SAMSO Performance Measures:

Output:

Number of unduplicated clients served / target 74

Number of unduplicated referrals to transitional housing / target 14

Number of unduplicated referrals to inpatient treatment / target 8

Outcome:

Client Satisfaction Rate / target 80%